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Wildlife photographer Tammy Nash captures the texture of a blue jay in this image.

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Nature in your backyard

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Autumn beauty is everywhere and area photographer Tammy Nash captures it well with this deer.

A raccoon is seen in a tree in Algonquin Highlands. /Submitted Tammy Nash

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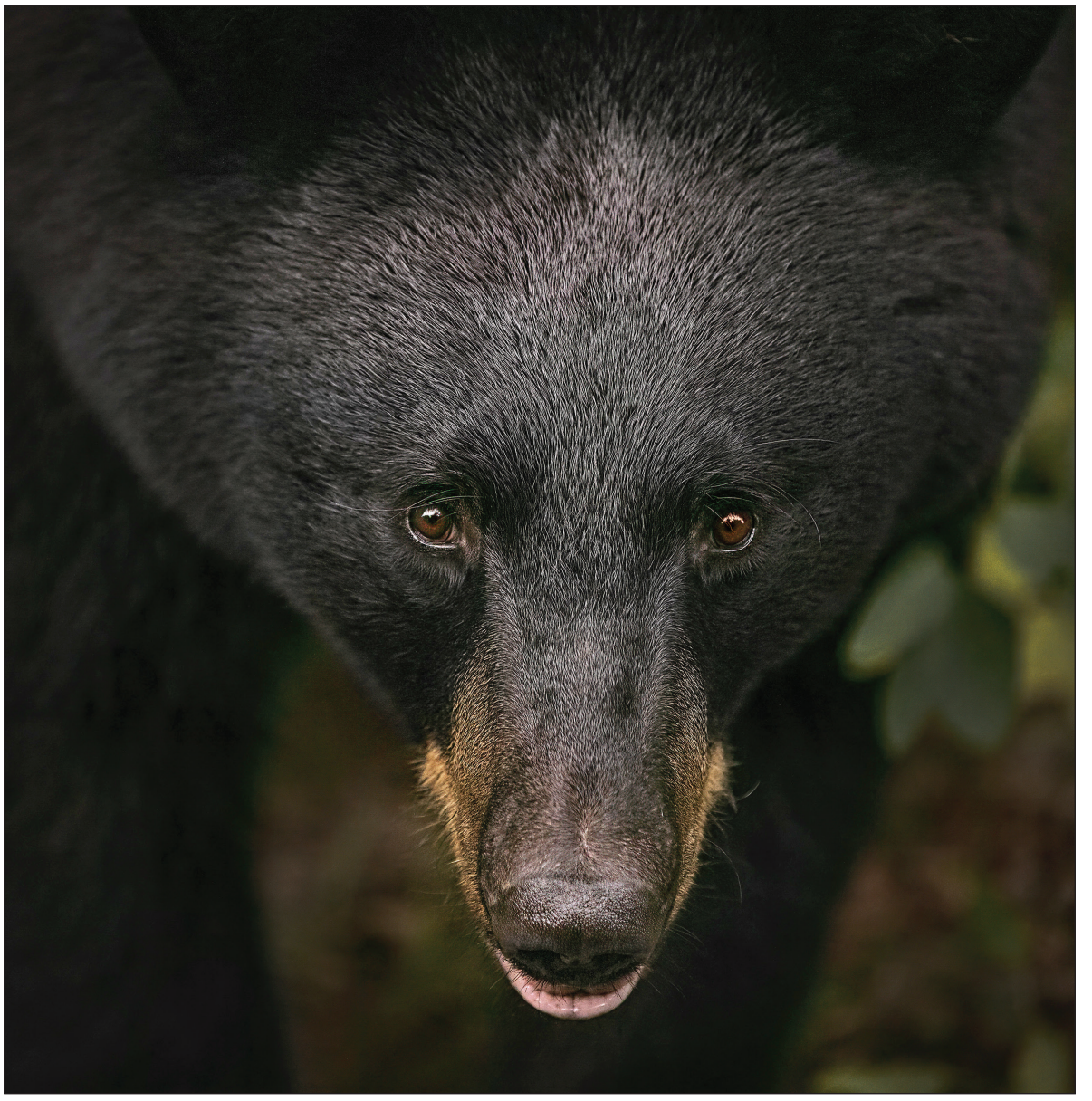
A raccoon stares from the bush close to wildlife photographer, Tammy Nash by her driveway in Algonquin Highlands.

Autumn signs, as seen with this milkweed. /Submitted by Tammy Nash



Area photographer Tammy Nash brings a black bear in focus.

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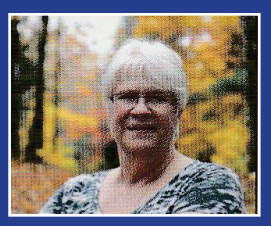

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Response to a Kurt Vonnegut quote

MARGOT ROBERTS
Special to *County Life*

"When I was 15, I spent a month working on an archaeological dig. I was talking to one of the archaeologists one day during our lunch break and he asked those 'getting to know you' questions you ask young people: Do you play sports? What's your favourite subject? And I told him no I don't play sports. I do theatre, I'm in choir, I play the violin and piano, I used to take art classes."

"And he went wow, that's amazing!' And I said, 'Oh no, but I'm not good at any of them.'

"And he said something then that I will never forget and which absolutely blew my mind because no one had ever said anything like it to me before: 'I don't think being good at things is the point of doing them. I think you've got all these wonderful experiences with different skills, and that all teaches you things and makes you an interesting person, no matter how well you do them.'

"And that honestly changed my life. Because I went from failure, someone who hadn't been talented enough at anything to excel, to someone who did things because I enjoyed them. I had been raised in such an achievement-oriented environment, so inundated with the myth of Talent, that I thought it was only worth doing things if you could 'win' at them," Kurt Vonnegut said.

This statement could apply to aging people as well. Many seniors don't do things because they say they can't do them well any more. For example, I was about to quit kayaking but went back to it even though I have a lot of trouble getting out at the end of a ride. I use a pole to grab, sometimes I just let myself tip into the water and then collect myself and anything that fell in with me, and trudge up the bank. Speed doesn't matter unless you're in a race so I don't hurry either.

I house clean in bits, and, yes, I would like some help, but I actually enjoyed myself yesterday dusting and rearranging my room. I even packed a box of books I won't ever read again.

Doing the floor is with a wet mop not on my hands and knees. Is it as clean as before? Who knows? And, really, as long as it looks clean, it's fine with me.

Reading is another thing. I used to feel that I must read a book quickly as I had to in school but now, I don't care how long it takes as long as I read enough each time so as not to forget the plot and names of the characters. I admit I'm reading more fiction than I used to, like eating only dessert, but it's fun and still keeps my mind working.

My partner reads to me and when there are characters from the Deep South she even puts in the accent. This is also good for my brain, as I can't see the print and have to listen carefully to follow the mysteries we usually read. Our favourite mystery authors are Elizabeth George, Val McDermid, and many others like Louise Penny.

The whole of life now is, do what's necessary, enjoy your freedom from a job and spend time with those who are good company of every age. Thankfully, the young people in my life are willing to help with electronic issues and computer lingo.

The things which appeal to me are usually quiet, or easily heard, and involve a few people not a crowd.

Even watching TV, I like the subtitles so no one has to have the sound too loud. My partner can hear a flea walking so I have to remind her often to repeat things. I'm sure it's annoying, but I wear these hearing aides faithfully, and try hard to listen.

I guess peace and the love of nature are tops for me, and I'm lucky to live up here where the wildlife and trees and water are all around us. Good health is also important, but keeping stress down, getting exercise and sleep are things which we do now as part of our lives.

I think I have learned to relax and enjoy with age! No trying to win the race for me.

Margo Roberts is a West Guilford resident and has lived in Haliburton County all her life. She is a retired teacher loves kayaking and appreciates nature.

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Point in Time

The Ontario Centre for Excellence for Child and Youth Mental Health likens the concept of evidence-informed practice to having a group of people over for dinner where you are the chef. The group is multi-generational, and tastes and preferences are widely varied. There are vegans, vegetarians, carnivores, gourmets, and picky eaters. You have synthesized all of this information in your brain and use your knowledge and experience to design and create an evidence-informed and satisfying meal that accommodates everyone's preferences, tastes, allergies, and other considerations.

In the context of providing social services, evidence-informed practice is an approach based on research evidence (literature from primary studies, systematic reviews), that is built on sound scientific methodology, but also combines the unique skill set and experience of the practitioner and the input of service participants to create an individualized service plan. The service approach may change as the literature and knowledge base changes, but the evidence-informed approach is based on the best we know at a given time to provide the most effective care available.

The COVID-19 pandemic has put a spotlight on substance use and mental health, issues that have had a myriad of service approaches over the years. Service providers are increasingly looking to evidence-informed practice to inform their approach to substance use and mental health. One example is the prevention program PreVenture, a mental wellness program for youth aged 12 to 18 years that is being implemented in Ontario. Instead of a one-size-fits-all approach, the program recognizes the importance of individual personality differences in how youth understand and deal with life challenges. Through connecting youth with like-minded peers and attending workshops tailored to their personality trait, youth are empowered to foster positive connections and make healthier coping strategies.

The Trillium Lakelands District School Board is partnering with School Mental Health Ontario and the Haliburton County Youth Wellness Hub to offer PreVenture to all Grade 8 students at Archie Stouffer Elementary School, J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School, and Wilberforce Elementary School, on a voluntary basis starting Oct. 26. Details have been sent via information flyers to eligible families.

Another example of evidence-informed practice at work is involving people with lived or living experience with substance use in providing support services. A local Substance Use and Mental Health Working Group consisting of several service providers, including Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents, Community Living, the Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit, and the CAST Projects, has been meeting regularly to discuss how to better listen to and integrate the voices of experience. "Nothing about us without us" means individuals who receive services have the right to participate in discussions and decisions that impact them. Their participation is critical to evidence-informed practice in terms of generating research ideas and furthering our knowledge base around substance use prevention and treatment.

Skating high

Apsley resident Julian attempts a manuever at the Haliburton Junction Skate Park on Tuesday, Oct. 4 in Haliburton. Julian said he has been to a variety of skateparks and likes the Haliburton, which is the furthest north he will go to skate. /DARREN LUM Staff

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Hitting the (virtual) polls

MONDAY'S THE day.

The reason why we see signs on every street corner promoting familiar names, local people who put themselves forward to represent your voice in your township or municipality.

I understand that this year's municipal election is a little different in Haliburton County.

VIVIAN COLLINGS
County Life Staff

The word "acclaimed" is abundant among our lists of candidates, including the mayors and deputy mayors for both the Municipality of Dysart et al and Township of Minden Hills.

Everyone in the county will vote by phone or online. None of these details should dismay you from casting your ballot.

Voting, whether in a municipal, provincial, or federal election, is always important.

I think municipal government is one of the closest things we have as Ontario citizens in making visible differences in our beloved communities.

If you aren't running for council yourself, the opportunity for change starts with voting.

Municipal politics affect our day-to-day lives. Therefore, the candidates who are voted in to council will affect our day-to-day lives in some way.

Not unlike many other townships, municipalities, and cities in Canada, Haliburton County is facing pressing issues. Some of these issues are already at a critical point of needing action.

Lack of housing, health care services, jobs that pay a living wage, and accessibility to decent internet were among some of the main issues addressed in the all-candidates meeting for the Township of Minden Hills organized by the Rotary Club of Minden.

Again, these aren't exclusive to Minden.

These are issues many of us face everyday, yet, only 42 per cent of eligible Canadians voted in the municipal election four years ago.

We can do better.

And, with all that said, we need to make sure we give our council members grace and respect while they do their jobs to help our community.

Rudeness and hate won't get your point across better than respectfully sharing suggestions and concerns.

Lisa Schell's address at this meeting as acclaimed deputy mayor of Minden Hills for next council stuck with me.

She said, "If we want our community to be successful, it requires collaboration. Sure, we can disagree and still go for coffee after, but it's how we treat each other that makes the difference. Instead of being critical, let's start working together to find solutions."

She noted that another way to be involved in municipal politics aside from voting and running for office is to join one of the committees in your municipality or township.

She said this will allow you to be involved in decision making processes for the community.

"If you choose not to be a part of anything, what you can't do is complain to members of council about how things are or aren't being done. Because it takes a community to get things accomplished, and we are all human, we make mistakes, we don't always have the answers, and we might not always do the right thing in your eyes," she said, having been involved in municipal politics for the past 16 years.

So, if you're an eligible voter, and there is more than one candidate for councillor in your ward or mayor for your township or municipality, vote.

For all that worked before you to make it possible and those who will work hard in the future to move our county forward, vote.

And, no matter who gets in to office, let's allow it to be an opportunity to work together on these issues instead of letting them pull us apart.

Top 10 benefits of a good rain

WE'VE BEEN getting a lot of rain recently. And while some people get depressed at the rainy weather, I like to look on the bright side. Here are my top 10 reasons for enjoying the rain.

STEVE GALEA
Humour Columnist

1. It's the only shower your friend "Stinky" is going to get.
2. Gives you a solid excuse not to rake leaves.
3. You look a lot better when wet.
4. You can think about Romeo and Juliet and no one will know you are crying.
5. If it keeps up, you won't have to trailer your boat to the launch.
6. You don't look so weird doing your "Singing in the Rain" number.
7. It's entertaining watching people step into a deep pothole that look like a puddle.
8. Eliminates the need to wear Depends.
9. Add a little soap and you can launder your clothes as you wear them.
10. Teaches your kids a valuable lesson about leaving their rubber boots out in the yard.

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Grandmother moon

I like the moon, and always did
Recalling as a child I hid

Until the others safely slept
So I to window gently crept

To watch the lunar face break through
Strange clouds like cottage cheese askew

Their curdled underbellies lit
That would The Highwayman befit

If illustrated black and white
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Where trees, instead of autumn gold
Hold death, raw skeletons gone cold

And as she rises, later falls
The moon with tacit voice still calls

That boys and girls come out to play
And dance beneath the Milky Way

Yet back to quilt I tiptoe soon
Avoid beguilement of the moon

Like beacon, like a bullet hole
Through skin of heaven, someone's soul

That steady ancient rocky face
With monthly light instills a grace

Which makes our very bodies pull
To windows when the moon is full.

By Deborah J Reed

Her words

She puts them out there, soft and low
Her words in pictures, real, although
Her readers mostly like the rhymes
Not catching all intent sometimes

Those secret messages of love
Those hiding in the language of
High colour, wind, and smell of snow
And all the wonders sky can show

Plus mysteries of time and shift
When life itself is all the gift
A spirit needs to open wide

Revealing every thread inside

A mind and heart which nature made
Allow her words out, unafraid
Her record of so many days
Though much forgotten, some still stays

As turning point or watersheds
Convergences of coloured threads
She puts them all out, one by one
And still her language: just begun.

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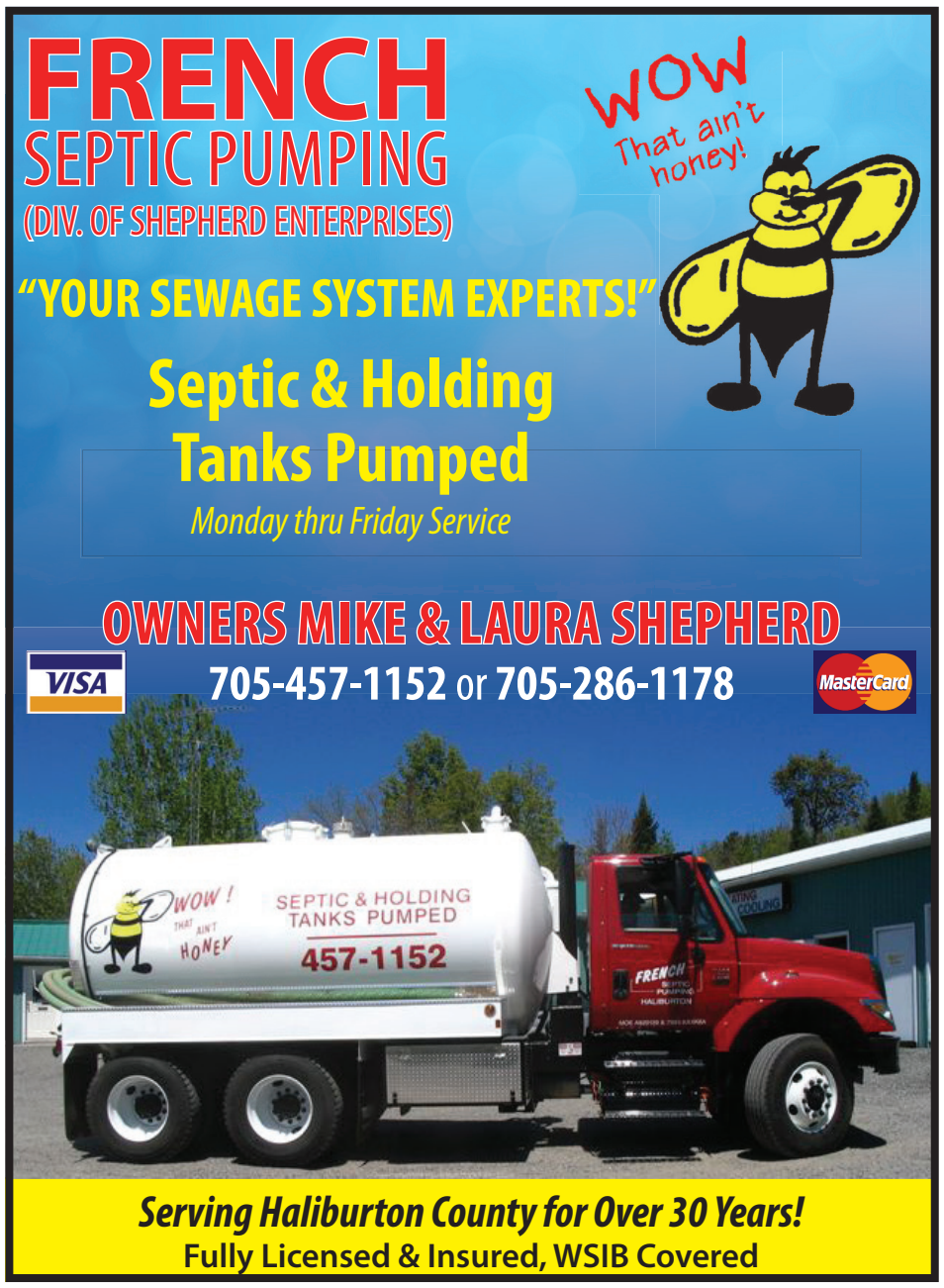

Autumn beauty
Algonquin Highlands, like much of Haliburton County, was showing off autumn with all its splendour. /Submitted by Tammy Nash.

Leaves

Strands of Wind weaving through trees,
seizing leaves that whirl through Air beneath a steel Sky,
the River of road curving beneath my feet,
leading me towards a place whose space I crave sometimes,
light peeling layers of Sky, splashing the branches of trees that arch over the road,
drizzling bronze leaves that I try and catch with my hand, as I stand on the side of the road,
its steepness snatching my Breath, as Wind sweeps through me.
Embers of leaves licking the ground,
as I listen to the sound of Wind barrel through the maples and birches,
the screeches of crows scratching Air as I follow the bend in the road,
grateful for every step, every Breath, as I stride through this tunnel of trees,
Wind propelling me forward towards the place I've walked to, maybe a hundred times,
never tiring of seeing the cluster of birches swaying on the side of the road,
pausing to slap their spindly spines, peel a dangling scrap of skin off a trunk,
how many layers 'till the birch is stripped bare, like the one leaning off to the side,
its limbs, withered, its trunk, split open, revealing its core,
the fissure so deep, I wonder whether it seeps into its roots,
clinging to clumps of earth beneath the ground.
I nestle the curl of birch skin in my palm, wishing I could paste it back onto its tree,
wishing I had left it be, not liking it when strangers try to peel layers off me.
I continue walking along the road, noticing the spokes of branches poking through some of the trees,
their girth diminished from last week, Wind feasting on their leaves.
How many hundreds of Breaths and thousands of steps have I taken to reach the top of this road,
where clouds billow above the hills, as strands of light weave through bands of Sky,
gilding the hills, gold and copper leaves fluttering in their trees,
drifting through the clearness of Air as Wind carries them
towards the gleaming horizon

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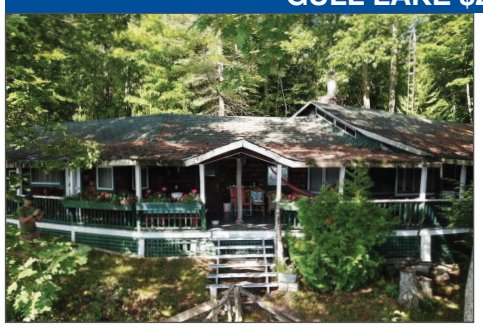

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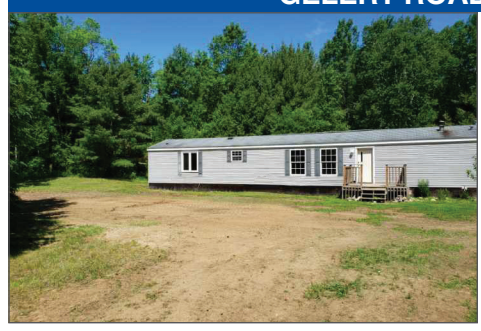

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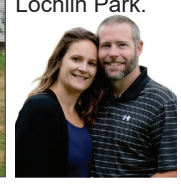

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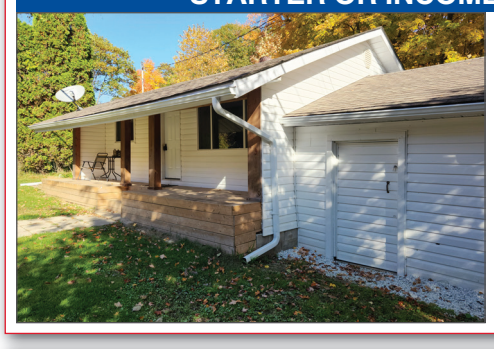

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29.4 Early Settlement in Dysart on Mud Lake/ Outlet Bay

The following excerpt is from the book, Where the Two Lakes Meet: The History of the Drag Lake Community (1850-present), written and researched by Charles and Laurie Wheeler.

William E. Lucas purchased the 100 acres in Lots 24 and 25, Con VII, Dysart on the south side of Mud Lake in 1920, when he was 55 years old. His brother James Robert Lucas had purchased the property next door in Lot 26 in 1917…

William E. Lucas was the son of one of the very first settlers of the village of Haliburton – John Lucas and Eliza Hare. His father John Lucas is much written about: he was the co-owner of the first sawmill and grist mill in the town from 1864-1870, the first reeve in 1867, and became the local hotel owner in 1870 …

Not much has been written about William Evans Lucas, other than he was the first white child born in the village, on March 9, 1865. He was the sixth of twelve children. In the 1901 census, he was living at the hotel now being run by his brother, and was described as a General Labourer, earning $300 for his year's work. In 1902, William Evans Lucas married Rose Ross. She had arrived in Canada in 1886 as a six year old orphan. She came to Haliburton as a teen, worked as a domestic at the Haliburton hotel, and met W.E. Lucas. In the 1911 census, he was identified as a "Barber", living in town with his wife, his brother J. Robert Lucas (a painter), and an English army captain James Cranwell. In 1921, he was living with his wife in town, where he is listed as a labourer, doing odd jobs. It does not appear that they ever had any children.

From 1920 until 1928, they were assessed for the 100 acres on Mud Lake, which was identified as including 75 acres of "slash" land, 25 cleared acres, and a building valued at $25. They did not live there. In 1927, when the Township was proposing to raise the dam, Rose and William E. Lucas were one of only six property owners abutting the lakes. They were signatory to an agreement paying them $2/acre for flooded lands and for lost timber. Once the water levels were raised, they were possibly the first to

recognize the earning potential from converting these lands to a lakeside paradise. In 1927, they began to construct cabins on these lands, increasing their assessment to $125 for buildings in 1928. However, Rose became sick with cancer, and died in Lindsay Hospital on April 8, 1929. Her obituary provides the following information:

Fishing Expedition hosted by William and Rose Lucas on Drag Lake,
SOURCE: Haliburton Highlands Museum

"Her bright sunny disposition and whole-hearted hospitality made her innumerable friends and her willing aid given to all the churches and other objects promoted for the good of humanity, ultimately endeared her so much to the community, that it became natural for everyone to call her Aunt Rose and her husband, Uncle Will, and they will be referred to as such as long as this generation shall last … Mr. Will Lucas desires to express his feelings of deep gratitude to all the many friends who helped to lessen his own sense of loneliness by their tributes of sympathy…"

In his loneliness, it appears that William invested his time building cottages on Mud Lake … By 1935, his assessment had increased to $155 for the buildings, and he was assessed a $100 business tax. He had also purchased the block of land on the east side of the entrance to Spruce Lake (Lot 29, Con VII, Dysart). He did not build there, however he appears to have provided these lands for wilderness camping for his guests to boat to and explore the lake ...

Purchase printed copies of the book by emailing draglakebook@gmail.com or at 705-457-8005. The book is also available at Master's Book Store in Haiburton.

Rainbow sky scene

A rainbow filled the Minden sky on Sunday, Oct. 8 and was captured by area resident Guenter Horst.

OPP hand out 1,328 charges

Operation Impact from Oct. 7 to Oct. 10 kept officers busy across central region on Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) patrolled roadways, trails, and waterways, as they worked throughout the Thanksgiving long weekend to help keep our roadways safe for everyone.

As part of this national, annual traffic safety campaign, officers conducted targeted enforcement and provided education on speeding, seat belts, distracted and drug/alcohol impaired driving. As a result, 1,328 charges were laid.

Operation Impact Central Region Breakdown:

speeding charges – 782; seat belt charges – 31; distracted driving charges – 4; impaired driving charges – 28; stunt/racing charges – 21; LLCA (Liquor Licence Control Act - Traffic Related) charges – 4; CAA (Cannabis Control Act - Traffic Related) charges – 5; CAIA (Compulsory Automobile Insurance Act) – 72;ORVA (Off-road Vehicles Act) charges – 3; CSA-SVR (Canada Shipping Act - Small Vessel Regulations) – 1;other criminal code traffic charges – 6; other provincial traffic charges – 371.

Excessive speed and dangerous driving continue to threaten the safety of all road users.

Numerous friends and family missed their loved ones at their Thanksgiving long weekend gatherings this year, with the death toll on Central Region Ontario Provincial Police - (OPP) patrolled roadways reaching 50 as we headed into October, up nearly 50 per cent compared to the same time last year.

It's important we remember, there is no excuse for risky driving behaviours on our roads when lives are on the line.

Please, slow down, drive cautiously, courteously, and report dangerous drivers to OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or 911 in emergency.

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Blazing sky
Autumn colours in Minden. /Submitted by Guenter Horst

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Haliburton County Historical Society
Invites you to enjoy David Mills of the Haliburton Lions Club.
When: Thursday Oct. 20
Where: Haliburton Museum at 2 p.m.
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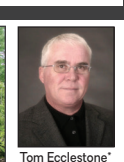

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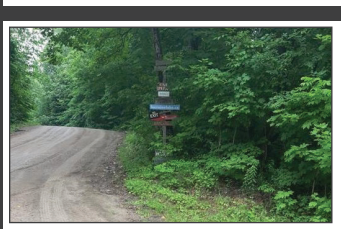

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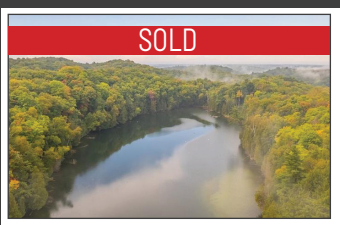

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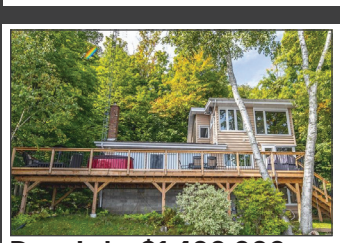

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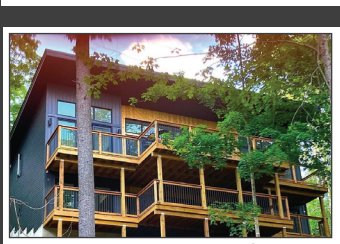

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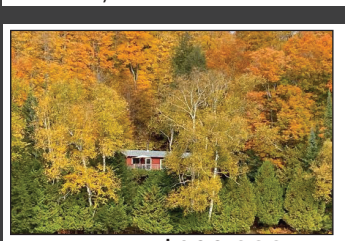

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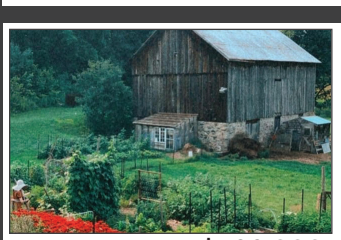

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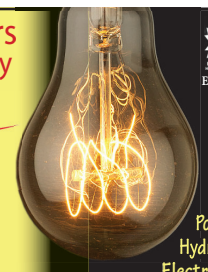

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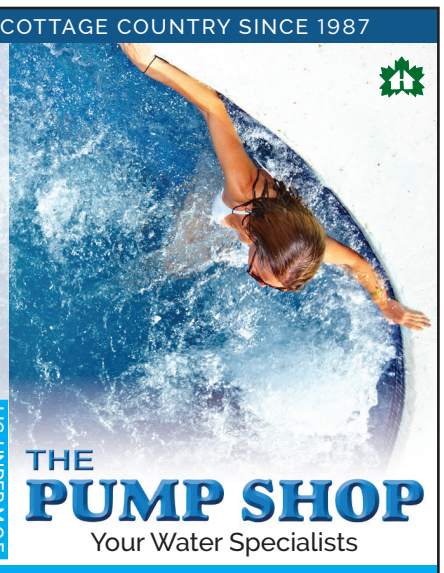

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Minden resident Judy Stevenson has faced more setbacks in a Baltimore hospital.
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PUC chairman opposes $400,000 well proposal

by Jay Kerr-Wilson

A recommendation to spend almost $400,000 on a new well for the village of Minden is being criticized by the chairman of the public utilities committee.

In a letter sent to council last week, committee chairman Ed Pergolas questioned the need to spend $392,000 to drill a new well on Bobcaygeon Road when an existing well has already been dug beside the municipal firehall, at a cost of only $45,387.

The search for an additional water source for the village began 18 months ago when the municipality was advised that the existing wells could not support future development.

Northern Eagle Engineering was hired and, after a series of locations and options were considered, a new well was drilled on St. Germain Street beside the firehall.

According to Pergolas, ensuing geology studies and water quality tests, carried out by Geo Logic Inc., showed that the well had adequate water supply and suitable water quality.

There were problems receiving approval from the Ministry of the Environment however, and earlier this year the municipality discharged Northern Eagle and tendered for a new engineering consultant. Up to this point $45,387 had been spent on the new well, out of a reserve fund of $160,000 set aside for the project.

A new company, Triton Engineering, was hired at a tendered price of $47,000 to do a complete report and make recommendations on a preferred location for a new well.

Concerns were raised about the water quality at the St. Germain well because the levels of turbidity, (murkiness due to suspended solids), exceeded provincial standards.

Geo Logic offered to return to the site, run a seven-day pumping test in an effort to clean the water and then retest the well. The company said it would perform the work at no additional cost.

Because of the contract with Triton Engineering, the

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Apple polishers

Last weekend local Scouts, Cubs and Beavers were out selling apples as part of their fundraising efforts. On Friday, Matthew Heffer, Michael Hamilton, Ian MacKenzie and Curtis Barry, shown above, were among the Scouts who gathered in the basement of St. Paul's Anglican Church to polish the apples and place them in baskets before hitting the streets.

OHIP changes threaten flight of snowbirds

by Susan Grober

Ontario's annual payments to American health care institutions have more than doubled in the last three years,

and recent changes to provincial regulations for health coverage were made to stop abuse of the system.

But for those local residents known as snowbirds, it means the rates for insurance coverage have skyrocketed.

Last year, OHIP paid a total of $225 million in medical costs - $204 million of which went to hospitals, and $21 million for physicians fees — in the United States.

In response, as of October 1 the Ontario Ministry of Health has limited payments to an average of what is paid for the same service in Ontario.

Like most other snowbirds, Bea and Jim Hindle found the cost of their Blue Cross coverage has tripled as a result of the changes, from about $500 to $1,500.

"It's disgusting, as far as I'm concerned," says Mrs. Hindle. "It's an awful blow. It's awfully high for seniors, because many only have their pension cheques to live on, and they don't get pay increases like those who aren't retired. It's a shocker."

"We were seriously considering not going down at all," he says. "We don't have an awful lot of money, and we may have to watch our spending now."

Mr. Hindle says the couple has been shopping around, and finally opted for a plan from a local bank which only costs about $550.

However, this rate was offered until October 1, and Mr. Hindle feels it would probably increase after this date.

A number of the couples'

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Minden lot levies should triple: planner

by Jay Kerr-Wilson

Lot levies in the village of Minden should be tripled in order to pay for increased municipal services in the next 10 years, Minden council has been told.

At last Thursday's council meeting, municipal planners Jim Dyment and Dana Anderson presented a development charges study to council. The study, required by provincial legislation, catalogued the amount of money the township can expect to spend on capital improvement in the next decade and determines how much of that amount should be paid by new developments.

Currently the municipality charges $1,000 for each lot created through severance or plan of subdivision. In order to keep pace with the cost of expanding services as the community grows, Dyment suggested new lots created within the village should carry a levy of $3,200 and rural lots should have a $700 development charge.

Dyment also recommended that industrial and commercially zoned lots should be exempt from development charges as a way to encourage commercial and industrial development.

The Development Charges Act was introduced by the Ontario government in 1989. It requires municipalities to justify the amount of money being collected from new developments.

Under the Act, municipalities must undertake a study to determine the cost of expanding municipal services as a result of the community's growth, and determine how much of this cost should be borne by developers.

"New development costs you money," Dyment told the councillors. "If you don't charge lot levies to offset the cost, people already living here will have to pay for it. It's really fair to existing residents that new developments pay their own way."

In conducting the study Dyment and Anderson predicted, with the help of municipal staff, the capital improvements the municipality would have to make to accommodate growth in the 10 years.

Among the findings were:

* An increase of 713 households, representing 2,069 new residents, in the township by the year 2001;

* The need to purchase a third fire truck and expand the fire hall;

* A projected increase in

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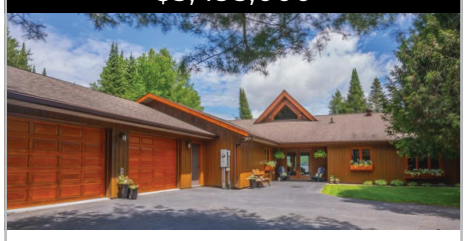

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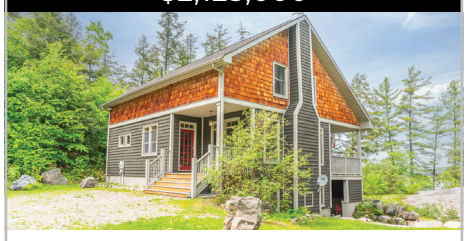

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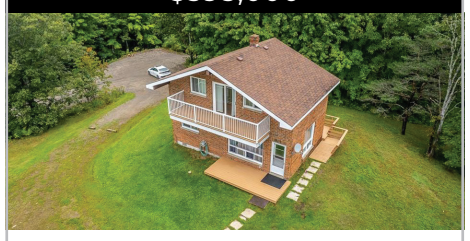

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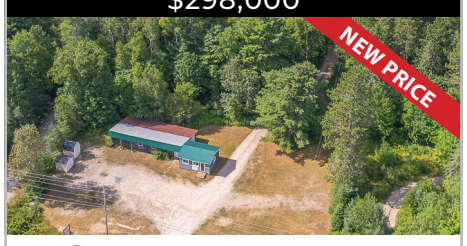

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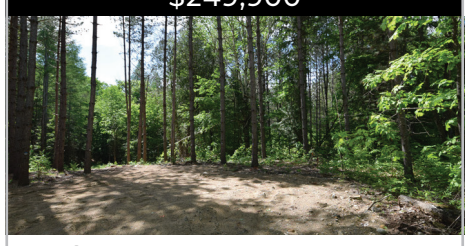

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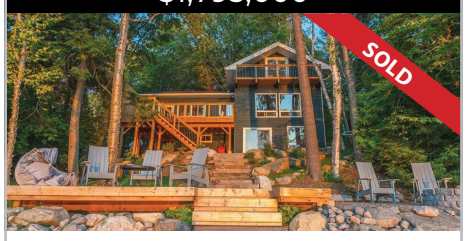

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